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Jim's Notes



September through November, the Peninsula Extension Offices will be training 66 citizens to serve as Master Gardener Volunteers. These volunteers are trained on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-12 noon with 50 hours of horticultural information from the best instructors in their field. These volunteers extend the resources of the unit Extension program. They educate in lawns, pruning, vegetable classes in the school, demonstration and research gardens such as Bluebird Gap Farm, or the Learning Garden and respond to horticultural calls.

Establishing and maintaining Fescue lawns is the focus of many homeowners. Seven free lawn clinics are sponsored by the Extension office in July, August and September. These classes emphasize proper timing and application rates. The lawn calendar is located on www.yorkcounty.gov/vce under Publications.

Calendar of Events



- Sep 12 Hampton Roads Agricultural Research and Extension Field Day 1444 Diamond Springs Rd. Virginia Beach. See article on page 2. To register call 363-3900
- Sep 18-19 Virginia Tech Turf and Landscape Field Days— includes tours of research plots, experiments, and opportunity for commercial applicator recertification. Pre registration saves \$10. For more info and registration, go to <http://www.thevtc.org/fielddayinfo.html>
- Oct 25 VFGA Annual Fall Meeting*, Tour of Greenhouse Operations in the Culpeper Area,
- Nov TBA Perennials Production Seminar*, Charlottesville area
- Dec TBA NCSU Poinsettia Cultivar Trial Open House*, Raleigh NC

**Unless otherwise noted above, additional information on these events is available from: Joyce Latimer, Extension Specialist, Greenhouse Crops, Virginia Tech, 540-231-7906; jlatime@vt.edu*

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